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## President's Message

Happy New Year! 2009 was a great year for NOCALL and I'm looking forward to a fabulous 2010. We've got some exciting events coming up offering many opportunities to grow, network, and make a difference!

Thank you to Terry Richards and the Education Committee for putting on a spectacular Fall Workshop in November, Marketing Uses of Social Media in the Law Library, in Oakland. This well-attended event offered an in-depth look at how social media is being used today in libraries, legal practice, and professional development. Thanks too to our speakers and CEB for providing a delicious lunch.

December brought our first NOCALL Four-Corners Holiday Gathering with members meeting in Sacramento, Fresno, San Francisco and the South Bay to celebrate the season and spread some cheer. All locations reported great turnout at these events and we look forward to repeating this in 2010!

On January 12, a number of NOCALL members participated in a Law.gov workshop organized by Stanford Law Librarians Erika Wayne and Paul Lomio with Law.gov founder Carl Malamud. The Law.gov project aims to create a report documenting exactly what it would take to create a distributed registry and repository of all primary legal materials in the United States. I am excited that NOCALL has been invited to participate in this project as we certainly have knowledge and experience about legal materials. Stay tuned for more news regarding how we can all work together to help this project get going! Check out the project at <http://public.resource.org/law.gov/index.html>

Next up is our January Board and Business meetings. I hope you will all join us at the Business meeting on Thursday, January 28, from 11am to 1:30pm at Fiorilli's Restaurant in Santa Clara as we present our first Legislator of the Year award to Congresswoman Zoe Lofgren of the 16th Congressional District of California for her work on H.R. 2728, the William Orton Law Library Improvement and Modernization Act, authorizing Law Library of Congress funding and

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for her long-standing membership on the Joint Committee on the Library. Additional speakers include Greg Fite and Susan Nevelow Mart of the NOCALL Government Relations Committee who will bring us up-to-date on the latest library legislation. Registration information is available on the NOCALL web site.

Spring will bring the NOCALL Spring Institute, March 26-27 at the Sir Francis Drake Hotel in San Francisco: "From Pillaging on the High Seas to Plundering the Net: Piracy on the Barbary Coast." The Committee is putting the final touches on the programs and registration news will come soon. You won't want to miss this educational opportunity and the chance to celebrate 30 years of NOCALL at Harry Denton's Starlight Room at the top of the Drake!

Spring also brings Sunshine Week. Sacramento NOCALL GRC members and the SLA Sierra-Nevada Region are presenting a two-part program, comprised of the national web cast from Washington, D.C., and a lunchtime panel of local speakers, on Wednesday, March 25, at Pacific McGeorge. More information and the registration form will soon be available on the NOCALL website. The San Francisco area Sunshine Week program will immediately precede the Spring Institute on the morning of Friday, March 26. Thank you to all GRC members for your hard work on these valuable programs!

Last, but not least, look for announcement about more NOCALL happy hour socials at a venue near you. It's a great way to meet your colleagues, network, socialize, and take a break from your routine. I hope to see each of you soon!

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## NOCALL News

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## MUSINGS FROM MARK

By Mark Mackler  
California Department of Justice  
San Francisco

## PROFESSIONAL READING IN REVIEW

By Elisabeth McKechnie and Susan Llano  
U.C. Davis Law Library

**BUT I READ IT ON THE INTERNET...** We all know how the Net is not the world's most accurate source of information. Recently, I had my own mis-information experience. I was researching the technical aspects of the Glock 9mm handgun (law firm librarians, eat your hearts out) and I decided to use the Net to gain an overview of the subject. What an eye-opener that was! The misinformation and inaccuracies were so abundant. We all know that the attorneys are as aware of the shortcomings of the Net as we are, right?

**LONG OVERDUE...** From the *SF Chronicle*: A book has been mailed back to an Ohio library after six decades, accompanied by an anonymous letter of remorse. The biography "Napoleon" by Emil Ludwig recently arrived at Toledo's main library, with a brief note that read: "I removed this book from your stacks in 1949 and did not check it out. I apologize. It's an excellent book and in good condition." The person who signed it "An ex-Toledoan" also wrote "Carrying guilt for 60 years is a terrible thing."

**CAN YOU TELL ME HOW TO GET TO...** Most of us have experienced this: A total stranger stops you on the street and asks for directions. As librarians, we seem to exude an air of total trust and infallibility. I reached a new high (or maybe it was a low?) recently.

As I was shopping for cat food in my neighborhood Safeway, a stranger walked up to me and asked me where he could find the cake mixes. Of course, I knew where the cake mixes were located.

**THE MORE THINGS CHANGE...** This information was forwarded to me by one of my best friends who is a teacher at Glenbrook North High School outside of Chicago. It's in the form of an announcement to all faculty members: Thirty-seven years ago, the school library changed its name to "Instructional Materials Center." However, over the years there has been a proliferation of "Centers" at the high school.

From the time we were toddlers visiting the public library to the endless nights we spent in the university library, we all know what a library is, what it offers, and why it is important in our lives. Therefore, we are changing our name back to Library and looking forward to performing stimulating and satisfying work for you.

**"Deep Web Research 2010,"** by Marcus P. Zillman, LLRX, December 13, 2008  
<http://www.llrx.com/features/deepweb2010.htm>

Although current search engines cover about 200 billion pages at the present time, the Deep Web contains somewhere in the vicinity of 1 trillion pages. This report and guide covers the history of the deep web and provides resources to allow the user to better search it. The article includes an html-linked bibliography of articles and papers about the deep web as well as reviews of cross-database search tools and services, bot research resources and discussion of semantic web research, peer to peer, file-sharing, and grid-matrix search engines.

**"Choosing a Web Browser,"** Pandia Search Engine News, <http://www.pandia.com/sew/2335-choosing-a-web-browser.html>

This undated article goes beyond Internet Explorer and Firefox to discuss new, highly powered web-browsers and reasons to change browsers. Internet Explorer, while the most popular, is also consistently the slowest due to its prior security issues. While the author does discuss the advantages of the tried and true (IE and Firefox), new browsers like Safari, Chrome and Opera are also reviewed.

**"No More Room at the Bench,"** by Mark Greenbaum, Opinion, *Los Angeles Times*, Jan. 8, 2010  
<http://www.latimes.com/news/opinion/commentary/la-oe-greenbaum8-2010jan08.0.1467294.story>

The glut of new lawyers in California is hardly a new phenomenon, but Greenbaum places the blame firmly on the American Bar Association for allowing new law schools to open and failing to properly regulate existing law schools, although the field of law has grown less than one percent from 2004-2008. As a result, Greenbaum opines, the ABA should be stripped of its accreditation role in favor of a group less packed with academics and more responsive to the practical needs of the field.

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**“Legal Research as a Fundamental Skill: A Lifeboat for Students and Law Schools,”** by Sarah E. Valentine, **University of Baltimore Law Review**, v.39, p. 175- (forthcoming Winter 2009), available at [http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\\_id=1537871](http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=1537871)

The author argues that legal research education in law schools is “dangerously deficient” and weakens students’ ability to learn legal analysis. The article describes the current state of legal education and then discusses ways that legal research programs can be rebuilt to increase student success.

Related to the last item, the 2009 annual survey results by LSEE has been released on law student engagement, **“Student Engagement in Law School: Enhancing Student Learning,”** Indiana University Center for Postsecondary Research, [http://lssse.iub.edu/pdf/LSSSE\\_Annual\\_Report\\_2009\\_forWeb.pdf](http://lssse.iub.edu/pdf/LSSSE_Annual_Report_2009_forWeb.pdf)

One of the purposes of this annual survey is to understand and improve the quality of the law student learning experience. Some of the key findings of the 2009 report concern faculty feedback. Only about half of all law students frequently receive feedback from their professors that is helpful to their academic development. One in ten law students say they *never* receive feedback from professors that stimulates their interest in the study or practice of law. In addition, male students are more likely than female students to receive oral feedback from professors, both during and outside of class.

The **Chronicle of Higher Education** has a good pull-out section in its Jan. 8<sup>th</sup> issue. **“Careers in Academe”** Supplement to the **Chronicle of Higher Education**, Special Report Winter/Spring 2010, available online to subscribers at <http://chronicle.texterity.com/chronicle/20100108d/?pg=1>

This special report has career advice for academic job seekers. Articles include, “A Scientist’s Guide to Academic Etiquette”, “Survival Techniques for the First Interview” and the funny “Rejection Letter Genres.”

**CONFIDENTIAL REPORT TO THE  
ACME DETECTIVE AGENCY  
AGENT: CLAUDIA COOK  
By Claudia Cook  
Alameda County Law Library**

It was hot and muggy when we landed on the tarmac in D. C., as hot and muggy here as it was chilly and foggy back in San Francisco. Why do we gumshoes never get the good assignments? How about West Palm Beach next time? (Hint, hint.) Approaching my hotel, I suspected I was being followed. But I wasn’t worried, these were sloppy operatives. They didn’t even try to hide the non - descript gray bags they all carried with the suspicious initials BNA. However, if it came down to a physical fracas, there were plenty of them, over 1600 by my count.

My mission... it was to infiltrate the AALL, an organization so large and powerful that it uses both initials twice. In particular, I am suspicious of the shadowy sub-group known as SCCLL, which is headed by a feared and powerful figure known only as SIS. My mind conjured up images of “Large Marge” the truck driver in Pee-Wee Herman’s Big Adventure. My P.I. name is Claudia Cook and my first assignment was to scout out the SCCLL Trustees breakfast which began at the ungodly hour of 7:00 a.m. These librarians – they get up even earlier than a gumshoe on a prime stakeout.

Well, SIS turned out to be a man named Marcus Hochstetler, Chair of the Special Interest Section. I began to feel as if I were in a remake of the Manchurian Candidate. You know, that part in the movie where Laurence Harvey is hypnotized to think he is in a meeting of The Ladies Garden Club listening to a very lengthy lecture on “Fun with hydrangeas”, when in reality he was amidst an all male Communist Party meeting. I thought I was in my right mind, so I attributed it to the heat. Next, someone named Cossette Sun received an award for exemplary service to the SCCLL. I must keep an eye on her.

This business meeting included Committee reports - important stuff (See “Fun with Hydrangeas” above), and obviously in code, but with my photographic memory I can report back everything in detail to my superiors. Coming up next was a luncheon honoring the Trustees. You know, these are the meetingest, eatingest folks I ever did see -- and I hadn’t even seen the drinking part yet. Judge Lee, a member of the Board of Trustees of the Alameda County Law Library, appeared to be in cahoots with Ms. Sun. She will bear watching.

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The “star” of the show seemed to be HeinOnline whose exhibit booth was always crowded sometimes with SCCLL members. Seems Hein’s effort to “digitize each law review title up to the last issue published -- is making many libraries reconsider format preferences in collection development and retention policies.” They were even featured in a program “presenting scenarios of how electronic periodicals have changed collection development policies, and how libraries are managing and maintaining periodicals collections.” Sounds pretty subversive to me. One of their latest projects is Scholar Check by which when looking at an article one can find other articles that cite it. Check Hein’s website for webinar recaps of the Exhibit video **What’s New in HeinOnline.** (Note to self: While seemingly moribund for years, Hein seems to be reinventing itself. Put back on watch list.)

Later in the Exhibit Hall, Westlaw representatives were rocking their new orange and white polka dot ties and California State Court Dockets, State Trial Court Orders and other valuable databases which are part of a total database called Westlaw Litigator. (Note to self: See if boss will subscribe - could be very valuable.)

Other interesting programs I infiltrated were:

How Federal Laws and Codes Are Made (and I was always told you really didn’t want to see that process – rather grisly, like in a sausage factory). I wasn’t fazed – I’m a really tough agent.

So you think you can teach...almost as entertaining as “So you think you can”... dance, cook, be an interior designer, astronaut, President...you fill in the blanks. The various

panelists provided a showcase for different teaching styles from podcasts to audience participation. They offered a lot of great ideas for designing programs that are topical and have a “hook” that captures audience attention even on such dry topics as researching administrative codes and rules.

Other really fascinating programs were about using graphic literature, anime and cartoons in teaching legal research, designing pathfinders, etc.

One night I was intrigued by the “Karaoke SIS.” So I followed them to a karaoke bar. Much singing (mostly bad) and frivolity ensued (see reference to drinking above). I really *must* do more surveillance on this group.

Well, to recap, I learned that detectives and law librarians have a great deal in common, both are fearless and determined in tracking down information by whatever means available, by networking and social networking; both types are activists in seeking not “just the facts, ma’am” but in seeking justice and, last but not least, our fervent belief in “sensible shoes.” They don’t call us gumshoes for nothing.

I am not sure that I have discovered all the secret ways of this organization so I believe that I should attend the 2010 Annual (and not just because of the weather). (Boss: I have attached my requisition for attendance.)

**Author’s Note** – My apologies to all the hard-working people who serve on committees and boards without which we would not have the awesome Association we have today. Please take this in the spirit in which it as written – by a dimwitted detective.

#### MEMBER NEWS

**Jaye Lapachet & Camille Reynolds** presented “Net Initiatives for Tough Times: Digital Publishing, Preservation & Practices” at the Internet Librarian conference in Monterey.

**Cynthia Berglez** has been elected President Elect for SLA Bay Region, and attended the SLA Leadership Summit in January.

**Cynthia Berglez** published an article in Bayline Aug/Sept 2009 on library marketing, focusing on law libraries.

Congresswoman **Zoe Lofgren** received NOCALL’s first Legislator of the Year Award at the January Business Meeting. An announcement appeared in the *Outside the Beltway: Chapter News* section of the the AALL Government Relations Office January issue of the *Washington E-Bulletin* on AALLNET.

Congratulations to NOCALL Member **Jaye Lapachet**, Library Manager at Coblenz Patch Duffy & Bass LLP, for receiving the SLA San Francisco Bay Region Chapter’s 2009 Professional Achievement Award! Jaye was awarded this honor at an SLA meeting Tuesday evening, 2/2/2010 at the Berkeley City Club for her “enduring and notable contributions to the Chapter and the information profession.” Jaye was also a recipient of NOCALL’s Award for Professional Achievement in 2005. Way to go Jaye!



## THE CALIFORNIA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

By Judith Givens

California Medical Association (CMA)  
Center for Legal Affairs

More than 150 years ago, California doctors were confronted with the challenges of rampant quackery, epidemics of contagious disease, and a desperate need to establish standards for the profession. It was these conditions that would bring 75 physicians together in 1856, to create the Medical Society of the State of California. Renamed the California Medical Association in 1923, the professional association of California's physicians is dedicated to "the science and art of medicine, protection of public health, and betterment of the medical profession."

A look at CMA's history confirms its place as a state and national health care leader with a strong commitment to safeguarding the doctor-patient relationship. The list of CMA accomplishments is long and includes establishment of the first medical schools in California, which later became Stanford and the University of California. CMA started the first public health department, began looking for ways to fund health care for the poor in the 1930s, and established some of the first blood banks and organ transplant guidelines in the country.

Today, CMA looks to the courts, as well as the state legislature, regulatory agencies and the federal government to influence health policy and improve the health care delivery system in California for doctors and patients.

In the courts, CMA filed a federal lawsuit and won against the three largest for-profit health plans in California for interfering with the doctor-patient relationship. CMA is a powerful force in state government by advocating for sound legislation that will positively affect the delivery of health care and the practice of medicine in the Golden State.

Lawmakers in Washington D.C. have made national health system reform a top priority and CMA is there fighting to expand access to quality, affordable health care and ensure a physician-led, patient-centered health care system in California.

The California Medical Association represents more than 35,000 physicians in all modes of practice and specialties, and is dedicated to the health of all patients in California. The Center for Legal Affairs is one of the centers within the CMA. The Legal Center is responsible for legal compliance and oversees CMA's legal library. The Center

provides advice to CMA's Board of Trustees, Executive Committee, non-profit subsidiaries and executive management regarding non-profit governance, ethics, and employment issues. On the advocacy front, CMA looks to the courts, as well as the legislature, regulatory agencies, and negotiations with interested parties to influence health policy and improve the health care delivery system in California. CMA attorneys develop and maintain an extensive library of documents, CMA ON-CALL, and publish a seven volume legal treatise, California Physician's Legal Handbook (CPLH), which discuss court cases, laws and regulations as they apply to the practice of medicine in California. The CPLH handbook is used throughout the state and beyond by physicians, lawyers and other agencies and is available for public purchase.

If you would like additional information about CMA, its services or the CPLH handbook please write to [legalinfo@cmanet.org](mailto:legalinfo@cmanet.org).

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## WESTPAC ANNUAL CONFERENCE

By Janet Fischer

WestPac Local Arrangements Chair

Mark your calendars for October 14-16, 2010 at the Hotel Nikko for the WestPac Annual Conference! Instead of holding a fall workshop, NOCALL is encouraging participation in the WestPac conference, and the NOCALL Education Committee will participate in planning the program. WestPac was last in San Francisco in 1985, and the membership is eager to visit San Francisco again.

We are expecting a lively conference with exciting speakers. Rates at Hotel Nikko start at an incredibly discounted \$149 per night; registration rates will be set later this year. Please make plans to join your fellow law librarians from throughout the western and Pacific region for a great conference. Reserve your room now! Contact Hotel Nikko either via their website: [www.hotelnikkosf.com](http://www.hotelnikkosf.com) or call (415) 394-1111. Use group code# SWESTP to get the WestPac room rate. Reservations must be made by September 16th to get the WestPac rate.

Feel free to contact me with any questions. Thank you.

## 2010 NOCALL ELECTION CANDIDATE BIOGRAPHIES

### CANDIDATE FOR VICE PRESIDENT / PRESIDENT-ELECT

#### **Holly M. Riccio**

Library/Calendar Manager for Northern California  
O'Melveny & Myers LLP  
San Francisco  
6 years

#### Education:

New York University, B.A., 1992  
University of Michigan, M.I.L.S., 1994

#### Previous Employment:

Davis Wright Tremaine LLP  
Librarian/Marketing Research Specialist  
4 years

Long & Levit LLP  
Librarian  
3 years

Hughes Hubbard & Reed LLP  
Reference Librarian  
1 ½ years

New York County Lawyers' Association  
Reference Librarian  
1 ½ years

#### Candidate Statement

Upon moving back to California in 1997, one of the very first things I did was join NOCALL. My desire to join NOCALL was rooted in my previous involvement in the local chapter for New York City (LLAGNY). My time serving in LLAGNY was such an enriching and gratifying experience that it impressed on me the important role a local chapter plays in the support of our profession. I am so grateful that I have had the opportunity to work and learn alongside so many NOCALL members over the years and I would be honored to continue this work in a new role as Vice President/President-Elect. The past few years have seen more involvement by both new and longtime NOCALL members and I want to continue to encourage that in the years to come. We all gain from the involvement, ideas, experience, expertise, and enthusiasm of our colleagues and these only serve to make the association more vibrant and relevant as we move into the next decade.

Current economic conditions have not allowed some of us to attend or be a part of as many of the educational and professional events as we have in the past. I believe that this affords NOCALL with a unique opportunity to strive to provide local events, both educational and social, to allow us all to continue to build our skills and our networks and allow us all to thrive in our jobs and profession. I look forward to making this happen and to enjoying many more years of learning, collaborating and networking with my fellow law librarians.

#### NOCALL Committees, Offices and Activities

- Member (1997 – Present)
- Membership Committee Chair (2001 – 2003)
- Grants Committee Member (2000 – 2003)
- Executive Board, Secretary (2005 – 2007)

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- Education Committee Member (2007 – 2008)
- Nominations Committee Chair (2008 – 2009)
- Spring Institute Committee Member (2008 – 2009)
- Spring Institute Committee Member / Vendor Coordinator (2009 – 2010)
- Community Service Committee Chair (2009 – 2010)

#### Other Professional Activities

#### COMMITTEES

- AALL Member (1992 – Present)
- SLA Member (1997 – 2008)
- PLL/SIS Technology Committee Chair (1997 – 1998)
- PLL/SIS Executive Board, Secretary (1998 – 2000)
- PLL/SIS Newsletter Advisory Committee Member (2001 – 2002)
- PLL/SIS Executive Board, Vice-Chair/Chair Elect (2002 – 2005)
- PLL/SIS Nominations Committee Member (2006 – 2007)
- PLL/SIS Public Relations Committee Co-Chair (2007 – 2008)
- AALL Grants Committee Member (1998 – 1999)
- AALL Grants Committee Chair (1999 – 2000)
- AALL Bylaws Committee Member (2000 – 2002)
- AALL Public Relations Committee Member (2003 – 2005)
- AALL Economic Status of Law Librarianship Committee Member (2004 – 2006)
- AALL Scholarships Committee Member (2006 – 2007)
- AALL Scholarships Committee Chair (2007 – 2008)
- AALL Annual Meeting Program Committee Member (2008 – 2009)
- AALL AALLNET Committee (2009 – 2011)

#### ARTICLES

- The “Virtual Library:” Sources, Services and Trends (<http://www.llrx.com/extras/legaltech2001.htm>)
- The Virtual Library: Past, Present and Future (<http://www.llrx.com/features/virtuallibrary.htm>)
- Image and the Librarian (*AALL Spectrum*, May 2004)
- The Seven Commandments of Highly Effective Web Searching (*The Legal Secretary*, November 2004)
- A Day in the Life of the Law Library Community (*AALL Spectrum*, December 2004)
- Researching Expert Witnesses: Be Not Afraid (*San Francisco Daily Journal*, April 2, 2007)
- TRIPLL, AMPLL and Beyond: My Experiences as an Attendee and Council Member (*LexisNexis Info Pro Update*, November 2007)
- Getting to Know the “C” People (*AALL Spectrum*, February 2008)
- Saving Space: O’Melveny & Myers LLP Library Makes the Most of a New, Smaller Space (*AALL Spectrum*, May 2009)

#### SPEECHES

- Speaker – *The Invisible Web: Finding What the Search Engines Missed*, Legal Works 2001 San Francisco
- Speaker – *The “Virtual Library:” Sources, Services and Trends*, LegalTech 2001 San Francisco
- Council Member – Teaching Research in Private Law Libraries (TRIPLL) 2002
- Moderator – *Knowledge Sharing and Management*, Legal Works 2002 San Francisco
- Speaker – *Expanding Roles of Law Librarians*, PLI The Law Library 2005 San Francisco
- Speaker – *Intelligence v. Information: Revolutionizing Competitive Intelligence*, LMA Bay Area Chapter 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Technology Program 2006 San Francisco
- Council Member – Advanced Management in Private Law Libraries (AMPLL) 2007
- Speaker – *Presentation Skills: Effectively Communicating with the ‘C’ Level People in Your Organization*, PLI The Law Library 2009 San Francisco

#### OTHER

- AALL Executive Board Candidate (2008)
- AALL Leadership Institute Fellow (2009)



## 2010 NOCALL ELECTION CANDIDATE BIOGRAPHIES

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### CANDIDATE FOR TREASURER

#### **Claudia Cook**

Reference Librarian, Alameda County Law Library, Oakland, 1 year  
 Reference Librarian, Heller Ehrman L.L.P., San Francisco, 2 years  
 Director, Gwinnett County Law Library, Lawrenceville, GA, 8.5 years  
 MS (Library Science), Emory University, Atlanta, GA, 1975

I am delighted to be asked to be a candidate for the position of NOCALL Treasurer. My organization (and I truly feel a pride of ownership) enriches my professional life in so many ways that I feel it incumbent upon me to give back. The fact that I have not served as an officer in this local chapter is another good reason for my candidacy, as it is surely "my turn."

The role of a treasurer is to manage and report on the association's finances, to ensure the association's financial policies are being followed as well as to monitor the budget and inform the Board as to whether projections are on target so that decisions can be made on appropriate adjustments. During my tenure as the Treasurer for the Atlanta Law Libraries Association, I found that slowly but surely our coffers were running low and the association would be in the red in the fairly near future. I consulted with the Board and by vote of the association, dues were raised by a reasonable amount to forestall deficits sooner rather than later.

I currently am a member of the NOCALL Education Committee and assisted in the Fall 2009 NOCALL Workshop, "*Marketing Uses of Social Media in the Law Library*" by receiving and managing the registration including collecting and recording the attendance and fees. I am a frequent contributor to the NOCALL News.

I am certain that with my experience as Treasurer of the Atlanta Law Libraries Association and as the Director of a large county law library (Gwinnett County Law Library) responsible for a sizable budget, I can make a meaningful contribution to the Association as its Treasurer.

#### Professional Activities

- NOCALL Education Committee, Member, 2009 – present
- American Association of Law Libraries, Member, 1978
- AALL Special Interest Section, State, Court, and County Law Libraries (SCCLL-SIS) Member, 1998 - present
- South Eastern Association of American Law Libraries (SEAALL), Member, 1978 - 2005
- Atlanta Law Libraries Association (ALLA), Member, 1978 – 2005; Treasurer, 1981
- Chair, ALLA Annual Legal Research Seminar, 2003, "*Legal Research: From Digests to Digital*", 5 week course meeting for 3 hours each week.

## 2010 NOCALL ELECTION CANDIDATE BIOGRAPHIES

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### CANDIDATE FOR MEMBER-AT-LARGE

#### **Rose Adams**

Research Librarian  
Latham & Watkins LLP  
Menlo Park, CA  
8 years

#### Education

M.L.I.S University of California at Berkeley  
A.B. Stanford University

#### Previous Employment

Stanford University Libraries, Green Library  
Associate/Assistant Librarian (Instruction Librarian and Coordinator of Multicultural Services)  
7 years

San Francisco Chronicle  
Newspaper Librarian  
1 year

#### Candidate Statement

I am honored to be asked to run for the Member-at-Large position within NOCALL. NOCALL was extremely helpful to me during my transition from academic to law librarianship. It continues to be beneficial, linking the diverse law librarian community (private, public, and academic), and helping me recognize commonalities within our profession. I have benefited from the work of my friends and colleagues throughout the law librarian community. I want to repay my friends as well as ensure that all NOCALL members (present and future) enjoy the same benefits.

#### NOCALL Committees, Offices and Activities

American Association of Law Libraries, member since 2001. American Association of Law Librarians Conference attendance (National Conference attendance 2001, 2005, and local meeting attendance (2006 Third All California Joint Institute in Sacramento)

#### Other Professional Activities

- Special Libraries Association, member since 1993. Special Libraries Association local meeting attendance and national conference attendance 2006, 2008
- Association of College and Research Libraries, Instruction Section, 1993-2000
- 1997 Preconference Planning Committee (Co-Chair). Learning to Teach, June 1997. Led committee in recruiting speakers, selecting location, and coordinating registration and evaluations. Repeated in June 1998
- 1998/99 Chair of Instruction of Diverse Populations. Wrote project proposal, led committee (dispersed throughout country) in completing project
- Member American Library Association, 1993 - 2000

## 2010 NOCALL ELECTION CANDIDATE BIOGRAPHIES

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### CANDIDATE FOR BOARD MEMBER-AT-LARGE

#### **Sharon Borbon**

Director, Fresno County Law Library, 1994-present  
 Coordinator, Tulare County Law Library, 1983-1994  
 B.A. Fresno Pacific University

I confess to you upfront that in a long ago conversation with a fellow NOCALL member I grumbled that the organization failed to serve members in the vast rural regions of Northern California. Shortly thereafter, following an exceptional Spring Institute where I actively interacted with fellow attendees, I realized it was not a matter of NOCALL failing me but rather it was my own failure. I failed to recognize the value of each member and their contributions to the whole that creates the energy and support we all seek when we join an organization. I failed to contribute or avail myself of all NOCALL had to offer. It certainly wasn't due to any lack on the part of NOCALL to reach out to me. I was stubborn. There it is – my confession and my enlightenment.

So here I am eager to become a part of the energy of NOCALL. I offer my perspective from a mid-size public law library located too far perhaps to loan you a book but eager to participate in the leadership of NOCALL. I want to ensure we remain strong and enthusiastic about the profession during a time when the economy and technology are reshaping our libraries. I am ready to step up my investment in NOCALL and I hope you will invest in me by electing me to your Board as a Member-At-Large

#### Professional Memberships & Activities

- American Association of Law Libraries. Member, 1983-present
- AALL Special Interest Section. State, Court, and County Law Libraries. Member, 1983-present; Trustee Development Committee, 2007-2008; Bylaws Committee 2002-2003; Grants Committee 1999-2001; Statistics Committee 1998-1999
- Council of California County Law Libraries, Member, 1983-present
- President, 1990-1992; Directory, 2000-2009; CLL Facilities, 2008-2009; Future of CCLs, 2006-2008
- Library of California Heartland Region, Member; Fiscal Agent 2000-2001
- Fresno County Women Lawyers (associate member), 1995-present

#### Other

- "County Law Libraries – Change on the Horizon" *San Francisco Daily Journal*, 10/16/03, p. 7.
- "County Law Libraries – Ensuring Access to Justice" *San Francisco Daily Journal*, 9/18/03, p. 7

## 2010 NOCALL ELECTION CANDIDATE BIOGRAPHIES

### CANDIDATE FOR MEMBER-AT-LARGE

#### **Chuck Marcus**

Head of Reference  
UC Hastings College of the Law Library  
San Francisco  
9 years

#### Education

M.S., Information and Library Science, Pratt Institute  
B.A. Rutgers College

#### Previous Employment

UC Hastings College of the Law  
Reference Librarian  
5 years

#### Candidate Statement

I am honored to have the opportunity to participate in NOCALL as a Member at Large. Law librarianship is a wonderful and rewarding profession. I've been a reference librarian at Hastings for thirteen years and I have attended many programs, met a lot of great people, and made many close connections through NOCALL. I run the librarian internship program at Hastings and it has always been important to me to encourage our newly minted law librarians to get involved in NOCALL—because it is a vibrant organization that can provide employment resources, support and networking opportunities. I look forward to further promoting NOCALL and taking a more active role in our organization.

#### Professional Activities

- Member of American Association of Law Libraries (AALL).
- Member of Northern California Association of Law Libraries (NOCALL).

#### Publications

- *The Law of Global Warming: Background and Basic Documents*, Bulletin of the Bar Association of San Francisco, October, 2008.
- *Keeping Current with Federal Tax Research, A Guide to Free Resources*, NOCALL Update in SF Daily Journal, 9/17/2008.
- Estate Planning chapter in *Do-it-yourself Law: HALT's Guide to Self-help Books, Kits & Software*, 2nd ed., Washington D.C.: HALT, 2006.
- Editor and co-author, *How Courts & Judges Work: HALT's Guide to America's Civil Justice System* 2nd ed., Washington D.C.: HALT, 2005.
- Editor Faculty Publications, Hastings College of the Law (1996-2001).
- Report on Internet Librarian '99, AALL Spectrum 6 (March, 2000) (with Kumar Percy).
- Using the NOCALL Web Site for Legal Research, NOCALL Update in SF Daily Journal, 5/21/98.
- The Internet Librarian, NOCALL News (February, 1998).

#### Invited Presentations

- *Researching Environmental Law*, Environmental Law Institute, Annual Western Boot Camp (2005-2008)
- *Getting Back to Legal Research*, Project for Attorney Retention, Center for Work Life Law, Opting Back In Program (2006, 2007)

## 2010 NOCALL ELECTION CANDIDATE BIOGRAPHIES

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### CANDIDATE FOR MEMBER-AT-LARGE

#### **Jane Metz**

Senior Library Manager  
Bingham McCutchen LLP  
San Francisco  
1992 - present (various positions)

#### Education

MLS, San Jose State University  
BA, English, San Jose State University

#### Previous Employment

San Jose Mercury News  
Librarian  
1989-1992

#### Candidate Statement

Many of us are facing challenges brought on by an uncertain economy, staffing shortages, and shifting job responsibilities. NOCALL provides support in a world of rapid change. Expanding our professional connections and educating our membership are just the beginning. I look forward to hearing from the NOCALL community on how you think our association should evolve to keep up with modern times.

#### NOCALL Committees, Offices and Activities

- Nominations Committee Chair, 2002
- Nominations Committee, 2001
- Secretary, 1999-2001
- Spring Institute Committee, 1995, 1996

#### Other Professional Activities

- Member, SLA, 1989 - present
- Member, AALL, 1992 - present



## NOCALL AWARD FOR PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT

The purpose of the NOCALL Award for Professional Achievement is to recognize a member for notable and enduring contributions to the Chapter and the profession. The Award represents a cumulative evaluation of an individual's career and emphasizes local activity and leadership of an exemplary nature.

Past recipients of the Award include:

- Todd Bennett 2009
- Mary Staats 2008
- Donna Williams 2007
- Judy Janes 2006
- Jaye Lapachet 2005
- David Bridgman 2004
- Mary Ann Parker 2003
- Mark Mackler 2002
- Shirley David 2001
- Barbara Friedrich 2000
- Iris Wildman 1999
- Joan Loftus 1998

This is an opportunity to acknowledge the work of a NOCALL colleague. Nominate a fellow member by completing the form below. All nominations are completely confidential.

The Awards Selection Committee consists of three members, with the current past President serving as chair. To be eligible for the Award, a nominee must be a current Chapter member, active or retired, in good standing. Current members of the Executive Board and the Awards Committee are ineligible for nomination.

Any Chapter member may submit nominations, and self-nominations will be accepted. All Nominations must be accompanied by a brief justification that should describe the achievement(s) or contribution(s) to NOCALL and/or law librarianship on which the nomination is based. Also include pertinent biographical data about the nominee. Please include the following as a cover page to the narrative:

### NOMINATION FORM

NOMINEE	
NOMINATED BY	
Signature	
Phone number	
Date	

On a separate sheet, please describe the achievement(s) or contribution(s) to NOCALL and/or law librarianship on which the nomination is based. Please include pertinent biographical data for the nominee. Forward in confidence to the current chair of the Awards Committee, Kelly Browne, at [kbrowne@saclaw.org](mailto:kbrowne@saclaw.org) or 813 Sixth Street, 1st Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814

**NOCALL PROPOSED BUSINESS**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**Wednesday, May 20, 2009**

**12:30 to 1:00**

**Sir Francis Drake Hotel**

**San Francisco, CA**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**1. Approval of Minutes**

We approved the minutes of the January 2009 business meeting.

**2. Thank you to West**

Kelly Browne thanked Craig Griffith and West for sponsoring the luncheon.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**1. Treasurer's Report**

Holly Lakatos presented the interim treasurer's report, showing a balance of about \$35,000. Holly will present the final report for the fiscal year at the end of the month.

**2. Induction of New Officers**

Kelly introduced the NOCALL Board who were at the meeting:

- President Diane Rodriguez
- Vice President/President Elect Shannon Burchard
- Secretary Tibusay Boggio-Turner
- Treasurer Mark Estes
- Member at Large Kathy Skinner

then handed the gavel and cable car bell over to Diane, who thanked her husband and library partner for their support and urged NOCALL members to become involved with committees.

**3. Awards and Recognition**

The professional achievement award was presented to Todd Bennett in recognition of his years at Thelen LLP and gratitude for his service as NOCALL president, teaching classes at Boalt Hall and Hastings, and his recent work on ILL guidelines. Todd expressed his thanks to Mary Staats, who nominated him for the award, to his fellow librarians at Thelen and to NOCALL for helping him grow as a librarian and a person.

Diane then presented a plaque to Kelly Browne, thanking her for all her past work as NOCALL president.

**4. Highlights from the Committee Clusters**

Administration:

Coral Henning noted Mary Hood's work to verify and document each change to the NOCALL Constitution and Bylaws from 1980 to the present.

Communications:

Diane Rodriguez noted that Jessica Corcoran will be taking over as NOCALL webmaster from Janet Fischer. The newsletter and listserv are both working smoothly.

Education:

Holly Lakatos noted that the Education Committee needs a new Chair for next year because Tibusay Boggio-Turner is NOCALL's new Secretary.

Networking had a very successful bowling event tied to the Spring Institute and is planning a special event for NOCALL members attending the AALL annual meeting in July.

The Spring Institute itself was a great success. About 85 people attended and it appears that the Institute broke even financially.

Membership:

Nina Porcella introduced Greg Fite who expressed his personal gratitude to NOCALL. Greg and Ramona Martinez have updated the procedure manual. The Academic Liaison has been working on recruitment with the San Jose State University School of Library and Information Science. Membership renewal forms will be mailed soon to the 380 current NOCALL members, 269 of whom are also AALL members, making up about 7.5% of the AALL membership.

Outreach:

Lee Ryan reported on the Government Relations Committee's successful Sunshine Week program in March and on efforts to support appropriations to the Law Library of Congress.

Crissy Brown of McGeorge is the new Chair of the Public Access Committee.

The Public Relations Committee continues to solicit articles from NOCALL members for placement in local legal publications. Caren Doyle will chair the Committee when Shannon Burchard takes up her position as NOCALL Vice President / President Elect.

Recognition:

Mary Sexton thanked Coral Henning of the Awards

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Committee, Mark Mackler of the Memorials Committee, and Teresa Dippery of the Grants Committee for their work throughout the year.

#### 5. ListServ Posting Policy/Vendor Postings

Kelly announced the Board's plans to draft a policy prohibiting vendor announcements on the NOCALL listserv.

#### 6. Union List

The Board voted to provide \$1,000 in support for Jaye Lapachet's efforts to produce an electronic Union List.

#### 7. Chapter Funding for those accepted into AALL Leadership Academy

The NOCALL Grants Committee will administer a grant which will help a NOCALL member attend the AALL Leadership Academy in Chicago on October 16 and 17, 2009.

#### 8. Plans for AALL

Plans are already underway for the Joint Chapter reception at AALL. Ellen Platt and the Networking Committee are also planning a social event.

#### 9. Reduced membership fee for current members who have lost their jobs

Kelly reminded NOCALL members that a reduced membership fee of \$15 applies to those who are unemployed.

#### 10. Spring Institute

Diane Rodriguez thanked members of the Spring Institute committee and sponsors providing financial support for the Institute, *Clearing the Economic Fog*. She also congratulated Schelle Simcox for the legal research workshop, *Bridge to Nowhere: Successfully Spanning the Legal Research Gap*, held on the morning before the Spring Institute. Preliminary figures indicate that the Spring Institute is close to breaking even financially and an AALL CLE grant is still to come.

#### 11. June Crossover Meeting

The Crossover Meeting for outgoing and incoming NOCALL Board and Committee members is tentatively scheduled for June 23rd from 10:00 to 1:00 at Hassard Bonnington in San Francisco.

#### 12. Member Comments

Joanne Scala thanked NOCALL for a grant to attend the AALL annual meeting.

Diane Rodriguez adjourned the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

## NOCALL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, May 20, 2009

10:00 to 11:30 a.m.

Sir Francis Drake Hotel

Present: Kelly Browne, Coral Henning, Holly Lakatos, Diane Rodriguez, Lee Ryan and Mary Sexton

#### 1. Approve Minutes of Last Meeting

We approved the minutes of the January 27, 2009 Board Meeting, in the Heafey Law Library at Santa Clara University.

#### 2. Treasurer's Report

Holly distributed a summary report showing a balance of approximately \$28,000 and a CD of approximately \$6,000. Most committees are finishing the year under budget, but Administration expenses were higher than anticipated. Holly will prepare the final treasurer's report after the fiscal year ends on May 31st, in time for the June crossover meeting.

Holly also agreed to prepare a narrative for the membership, explaining which expenses are included in to each budget line.

Committee budget requests for next year should be forwarded to Holly, who will forward them to Mark Estes, the new Treasurer.

#### 3. Cluster Reports, including Budget Requests for 2009-2010

##### Coral:

**AALL Liaison:** Donna Williams made arrangements for David Mao's visit to the NOCALL Spring Institute. Archives: The Archives chair, Kate Wilko, had several questions about what should be archived. The Board will ask a long-standing NOCALL member to consult with Kate as well, going through the material with a view toward presenting the Board with an updated proposal about what to retain in the Archives.

**Constitution and By-laws:** Mary Hood is tracing the history of the Constitution and Bylaws, collecting committee reports about proposed changes and business meeting minutes detailing the date and wording of each amendment. She hopes to be finished by June, September at the latest.

**Nominations:** Holly Riccio would like to resign; Coral agreed to chair the committee.

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**Diane:**

**List Serv:** Joan Loftus has not reported any problems with the listserv.

**Newsletter:** Mary Pinard has not reported any problems with the newsletter.

**Web Page:** Janet Fischer is resigning. Jessica Corcoran has agreed to Chair this committee and take responsibility for the website.

Diane noted that these committees haven't requested a budget for the coming year. However, money may be needed each year to pay for the website and/or for new software.

**Holly:**

**Networking:** Ellen Platt's bowling party at the Spring Institute was a success. She is planning for AALL this summer.

**Education:** Tibisay Boggio-Turner, who chairs this committee, is the new NOCALL Secretary, so a new Chair will be required soon, to begin planning a Fall Workshop. Tibisay requested a budget of \$3,000 for next year.

**Spring Institute:** Diane distributed preliminary financial figures for the Spring Institute. Holly also has (different) preliminary figures. Final figures will be submitted to AALL, which awarded NOCALL a grant.

Nina didn't attend the meeting, so there was no report regarding Academic Relations, Membership, or Placement. The Board discussed whether current committee chairs were likely to continue serving.

**Lee:**

**Government Relations:** Michele Finerty would like to step down as Chair of this committee, so it will need a new Chair. Michele proposed two Sunshine Week events next year, in San Francisco as well as the Sacramento area event, which was co-sponsored by the SLA Sierra Nevada chapter.

**Public Access:** Crissy Brown of McGeorge is the recently appointed Chair of this committee.

**Public Relations:** Caren Doyle of Carroll, Burdick & McDonough will Chair this Committee. Shannon Burchard is stepping down to serve as NOCALL Vice President/President Elect.

**Mary:**

**Awards:** Coral's committee completes its work at the Business Meeting when awards are presented; Kelly will chair the committee next year.

**Grants:** Teresa Dippery has requested a larger budget for next year, \$7000. The economy has made it even more important to provide grants for NOCALL members to attend meetings, workshops and institutes.

**Memorials:** There was one death, Leigh Donley. Janet Fischer had uploaded revised committee charges and descriptions to the webpage. Others, except Archives, will be completed within a few weeks.

**4. ListServ Posting Policy/Vendor Postings**

AALL Discussion Forum Rules and Conditions,

[http://www.aallnet.org/discuss/list\\_rules.asp](http://www.aallnet.org/discuss/list_rules.asp)

Chicago Association of Law Libraries, Discussion Forum Policies

<http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/call/listserv/listservindex.html>

Diane will look at the language on the webpages above and at other policies regarding vendor postings, then make a recommendation to next year's Board. The outgoing Board's preliminary view was that a policy should be developed prohibiting vendor postings on the NOCALL listserv. Another issue to consider, once the policy is established, is whether NOCALL should be selling advertising, on the website or elsewhere.

**5. Union List**

In May 2008, at Shannon Burchard's request, the Board budgeted \$1000 to explore ways to produce a new Union List. Earlier this year the Board discussed via e-mail whether to provide some financial support for Jaye Lapachet's Union List project. There was an e-mail motion in March to provide the \$1,000 in the 2009 NOCALL budget to Jaye's project, but e-mail voting had never taken place. After discussion, the Board voted 4 to 2 in favor of providing \$1,000 to help launch Jaye's Union List, hoping that many NOCALL libraries will benefit from it in the future.

**6. Chapter Funding for those accepted into AALL Leadership**

Academy 2009/ THE HYATT LODGE OAK BROOK  
OCTOBER 16-17, 2009

**\$250, meals included. We'd pay for air fare (\$330) and housing (\$318 + tax). App. \$900.**

The Board agreed to provide approximately \$900 to sponsor one NOCALL member's attendance at the AALL Leadership Academy. The Grants Committee will be asked to solicit applications and select a recipient.

**7. Plans for AALL**

The Pacific Chapters will host a joint reception at the AALL meeting, sponsored by Thomson Reuters. Each chapter is also paying a portion of the cost.

The networking committee is planning a social event, to be announced later. A rooftop bocce tournament turned out to be too expensive.

**8. Waiver or reduction of membership fee for current members who have lost their jobs.**

The Board agreed to retain the "Unemployed Active Member" category at the current rate of \$15 per year. We

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amended Board Resolution 1996-4 to state that dues for the Unemployed Active Member category will not exceed one-half of the dues for the Active Member category.

### 9. Spring Institute

The Board congratulated Diane for the very successful 2009 Spring Institute, "Clearing the Economic Fog." She, in turn, expressed her gratitude to her committee for their hard work.

### 10. June Crossover Meeting

The crossover meeting for incoming and outgoing Board members and Committee chairs is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday June 23rd from 10:00 to 1:00 at Hassard Bonnington or USF.

### 11. Withdrawing/nullifying Defunct Resolutions; Clarifying Archives Committee Charge

The Board rescinded the following resolutions: 1981-10, 1981-12, 1986-2, 1986-4, 1986-9, 1986-11, 1986-17, 1987-12, 1988-2, 1992-8, 1996-1, 1996-2, 1982-1, and 1984-3.

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## NOCALL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2009

2 p.m. to 3:15 p.m.

Conference Call

San Francisco, CA and Sacramento, CA

Present: Tibisay Boggio-Turner, Kelly Browne, Shannon Burchard, Mark Estes, Diane Rodriguez, Kathy Skinner, Jean Willis

Note: Read into the record: Holly Lakatos' proposed AALL program "Creating Your Own Breadcrumb Trail: Motivating Employees in Unique Library Settings" was approved by the Board via e-mail on 8/13/09 at 2:25 pm

Diane Rodriguez, President, called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

### OLD BUSINESS

#### 1. Approval of Minutes

The board approved the May 20<sup>th</sup> 2009 Board Meeting Minutes and the June 23<sup>rd</sup> 2009 Crossover Meeting Minutes.

### 2. Treasurer's Report and Approval of the Proposed Budget

Mark Estes presented the treasurer's report and highlighted some of the noteworthy financial events including:

- YTD membership dues are down \$1500 from \$11,345.00 in FY 2010 to \$12,785 FY 2009.
- The Association's income taxes have been paid and we paid \$43 in use tax for the AALL giveaways,
- A CEB sponsorship payment is still outstanding.
- The July income data on the Balance Sheet includes the Spring Institute sponsorship from Lexis.
- The Association has a good deal of cash at its disposal.

Shannon Burchard, Vice President/ President Elect/Chair of the Spring Institute Committee, requested the board review the proposed Spring Institute budget and consider increasing the amount to support a Gala celebration of the Associations 30<sup>th</sup> year. The idea of a Gala was well received. A discussion of the proposed Spring Institute budget revealed that the \$20,000 requested for this year's event is \$5,000 over what was spent last year. All agreed that this additional \$5,000.00 was sufficient to cover the anticipated cost of the Gala.

Mark also brought several financial and accounting issues to the Board's attention for discussion:

#### 1. Budgeting a proposed income in order to get a more definitive picture of the Association's financial needs.

- The board felt that this was a good idea. Shannon, and a few others, commented on the difficulty of anticipating sponsorships and other possible streams of income.

#### 2. The possibility of requiring a small fee to attend Association gatherings as a means bolstering attendance and protecting the Association from unnecessary expenses.

- The board members supported this idea. Shannon noted that she planned on requesting a small registration fee for attending the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary gala.

#### 3. The need for AALL giveaways. Do they further NOCALL's mission? Are they worth the cost?

- The giveaways were described by Diane, Shannon, and other members of the board, as being instrumental in facilitating networking between NOCALL members and the other chapters. They were also seen as encouraging membership in NOCALL as they serve as lures to our table where people can learn about NOCALL.

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**4. The cost associated with creating and distributing a print version of the membership directory**

- In response it was noted that its printing is currently paid for by the Daily Journal Corporation, and therefore it is not charged to the Association. Mark explained that the cost of printing was a concern, but that the greater issue was the cost of the postage to mail it out. A couple of members added that in the current economic climate we should consider that the free printing of the directory might not be available in the future. Diane suggested a conversation with Ramona about possible alternatives, such as making the directory available only in electronic format.

**5. The possibility of increasing grants in light of the Associations current heavy cash flow.**

- The level of cash was noted again because it was previously decided that the Association would invest more in educational opportunities and grants. Diane suggested the possibility of sponsoring a San Jose State University School of Library and Information Science scholarship for a student interested in law librarianship. Board members were asked to share any ideas on how these funds might be best utilized to serve the memberships education goals.

**6. Shannon Burchard brought it to the board's attention that the Association's actual administrative expenses are likely higher than indicated on the Proposed Budget.** She said this because often committee chairs and members will use their employers' facilities and supplies to do association work, such as copying and mailing invitations. These expenses are often overlooked during the budgeting process because the committee chairs or members usually do not request reimbursement for these expenditures.

- Mark and the other board members felt that this was an important oversight to correct as it obscured the true cost of running the association. Mark was asked to propose a procedure for the tracking of non-reimbursed expenses which would work well for him. He was also asked about the possibility of making a check request form available. These mechanisms were recognized as important step to streamlining and

A motion was made to approve the proposed budget, the motion was seconded, and approval was granted.

**3. Calendar and a Review of Upcoming Events**

Diane went over the calendar and provided additional

details for most of the scheduled events.

- **Fall educational workshop – November 2009**  
The workshop is scheduled for Tuesday 11/10/09 at Preservation Park. The topic will be the research and marketing uses of social media in the law library. The format will be a panel discussion.
- **Holiday party – December 2009**  
The Networking Committee is in the process of collecting ideas for a holiday luncheon or afternoon reception. There were some inquiries as to what Lexis and Westlaw had planned in terms of holiday celebrations. As in the past, NOCALL has forgone a larger celebration because of the Lexis/Westlaw events.
- **Jan Board/Business Meeting - January 2010**  
The January meeting is scheduled to take place in the South Bay. Diane is planning to contact Laurie Flynn about a possible venue; yet she is also considering the idea of holding the meeting at San Jose State University to encourage student interest in NOCALL.
- **Sunshine Week – March 2010**  
Greg Fite is working with Shannon to hold the San Francisco area Sunshine Week event the first morning of the Spring Institute.
- **Spring Institute – March 2010**  
Shannon Burchard is working on finalizing her committees. She has the Whitcomb on first option hold, but she is continuing to look at other venues. She has decided to try to hold the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary gala at a different location than the institute.
- **May Board/Business Meeting – May 2010**
- **WESTPAC meeting in SF - Fall 2010**  
NOCALL is still hoping to partner with WESTPAC by connecting the 2010 Fall Workshop, and perhaps other events, with this meeting. Janet Fisher is the official contact between NOCALL and WESTPAC.

**4. ListServ Posting Policy/Vendor Postings**

1. *The board discussed the merits of clarifying the Association's listserv policy in consideration of recent questionable vendor postings.* It was decided that the best way to clarify our listserv rules was to adopt the AALL Discussion Forum Rules & Conditions. The board decided to state our agreement with these rules and to post a link to them on the NOCALL E-Mail List page
2. **Use of listserv by non-members**  
Next, the board discussed the question of allowing non-members access to the NOCALL listserv. Kelly Browne and Kathy Skinner both made comments in support of access to the listserv being a benefit of membership. The other members of the board agreed that the listserv should be a closed members only list. It was noted that there are probably several

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listserv members that are not part of the NOCALL membership and therefore a decision needs to be reached as to their status going forward. It was decided that current listserv members should be given a three month grace period to become NOCALL members before their access to the listserv is revoked.

A motion for a closed, members only, listserv was proposed, seconded, and approved.

**5. Technology Committee**

At the behest of Joan Loftus a motion was proposed to create the Technology Committee which would merge the Web Page & Listserv Committees into one entity. Jessica Corcoran would head the committee and Joan Loftus would be the member in charge of the listserv. The motion was seconded and approved.

**6. Archives Task Force**

The board approved the creation of an Archives Task Force which will be Prano Amjadii and Mary Hood. Prano and Mary will assist Kate Wilko, Archives Committee Chair, with a review the items in the NOCALL archive and with the creation of guidelines and procedures as necessary for the continued maintenance of the collection.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**1. Community Service Committee**

The board approved the creation of a Community Service Committee. The purpose of the committee would be to find or create opportunities for NOCALL members to become involved in community service events and other charitable works.

**2. Networking Tools and Collaboration**

Diane proposed the idea of a board/committee chair wiki which would allow for more open communication and more opportunities for collaboration. The board discussed the whether such a tool a tool would actually be utilized and kept up to date and therefore worth the effort of setting up. The sentiments were mixed, with many feeling that while the idea was good, a wiki might not be the best tool. Some other ideas mentioned were: Facebook and an application similar to Google Documents. This item was tabled for further discussion at a future meeting.

Diane announced that the NOCALL Facebook page was up and running. She gave thanks to Jessica Corcoran for all of her work on this project.

**3. Social Events**

Cocktail events will continue in San Francisco to offer members informal networking opportunities. Diane shared that members in other areas, such as Fresno, were planning similar events.

**Educational Program Proposals and Sponsorship Requests**

The Education Committee was given the responsibility of creating a policy and procedures for handling and prioritizing NOCALL/AALL program proposals and sponsorship requests. They are to implement these policies and procedures and be proactive about announcing proposal deadlines as well as collecting, reviewing, and making recommendations regarding any AALL program proposals seeking NOCALL sponsorship. Considering these additional duties, the board supported the idea of Teri Richards, Education Committee Chair, recruiting more committee members.

**4. Awards Committee**

The duties of this committee were clarified and approved by the board The Past President chairs the awards committee and orders the plaques; the responsibility for selecting the outgoing President's gift, presentation of the plaque and gift, and coordination of awards and presenters should also reside with the Past President.

**5. Membership Committee**

Membership Committee was officially given leave to sell the NOCALL membership list for \$250. The board decided that a standard photo release be added to the membership application. The logistics of this addition would be discussed with Ramona Martinez.

**6. Proposals**

Proposal from Carolina Rose regarding a commercial venture with Virtual Loop, the makers of an office management system. On review, the Board decides against participating.

Mary Alice Baish suggested honoring Zoe Lofgren as NOCALL's first "Legislator of the Year" for all of her hard work on behalf of libraries. The board felt this was an excellent idea. Diane noted COALL did a similar thing for a local legislator with great success.

**7. Educational Events**

Shannon Burchard gave an update on the Spring Institute and the 30th Anniversary Celebration. The dates for the institute will be March 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>. The venue has not yet been selected, however the theme of this year's institute will be Piracy. It will feature programs on topics such as: maritime law, trademarks/patents/copyright, and cyber-squatting. There was a great deal of excitement for the

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theme and discussion of vendor game options and other fun add-ons were discussed.

WestPac 2010 Fall Conference in San Francisco was discussed as an excellent opportunity to collaborate and network with other west coast law librarians. The board briefly discussed combining the NOCALL Fall Workshop with this event.

### 8. Committee Cluster Reports

Each member of the board presented their Committee Cluster Reports. Highlights include:

- Chrissy Brown of the Public Access Committee is putting together a “recommended legal resources” list to send to public libraries.
- Susan and Greg Fite, of the Government Relations Committee, plan to attend an all-California GRC meeting November 6, representing NOCALL. According to Greg, “this should be exciting because we need to develop more knowledge and a united approach on the state’s issues, particularly county law library income security and state archives.”
- Greg also signed on to a letter honoring and thanking Senator Patrick Leahy of Vermont for his tireless efforts on behalf of civil liberties and open government. The Government Relations group plans on honoring Zoe Lofgren for similar work in the House.
- Ramona Martinez, of the Membership Committee, reports that there are 329 active/renewed members. She is in the process of sending the new data to the Daily Journal so the 09/10 directory can be prepared. The hope is that the new directories will go out to members in November.

Diane Rodriguez, President, adjourned the meeting at 3:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tibisay A. Boggio-Turner  
NOCALL Secretary

## NOCALL 4-CORNERS COCKTAIL SOCIAL

Wed., Feb. 17, 2010

5:00 – 7:00 pm

It’s time to get together again and raise a glass with NOCALL! Please join us for a drink & get to know your colleagues & friends all over again. Kindly RSVP to the host of your local event so we know you’re coming. Hope to see you there!

### San Francisco:

**Tonga Room at the Fairmont Hotel** - 950 Mason St., enter at corner of California & Powell Sts.

<http://www.fairmont.com/sanfrancisco/guestservices/restaurants/thetongaroomhurricanebar.htm>

On Wednesday nights our Happy Hour includes an extensive buffet of Pacific Rim delicacies with items such as mini shiitake eggrolls with Tonga’s secret sauce, chicken wontons with chili sauce, Kalua pork garlic noodles, king prawn crackers with Portuguese sausage dip, macadamia nut pineapple rice, Big Island orzo & assorted tropical fruit with pina colada dip. The all-you-can-eat buffet is a ‘steal’ at only \$9.50 per person with a one drink minimum. To complement this feast fit for kings and queens, the tropical restaurant and bar serves tantalizing cocktails at Happy Hour prices.

Diane Rodriguez – [dmr@hassard.com](mailto:dmr@hassard.com) or 415-288-9800  
Librarian, Hassard Bonnington & NOCALL President

### Fresno:

**Toledo’s** - the North Blackstone location (7315 N Blackstone)

<http://www.toledosmexicanfood.com>

If you are looking for us we will be the rowdy group on the back patio. We plan to extend our Mardi Gras celebration an extra day ala Mexico with margaritas and guacamole! hmmm.... Fat Wednesday?

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Free parking, bar bites for \$3.33, house wine and beer \$3.33!

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Parking behind the building.

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